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1. A multipocket document folder comprising a primary sheet of stiff, flexible flat stock formed with a rectangular base portion having opposing mutually parallel outer cover side edges, a top edge perpendicular to said side edges, a cover spine formed in said base section perpendicular to and intersecting said top edge and extending longitudinally between said cover side edges and parallel thereto to delineate front and back covers within said base portion, separate front and back cover pocket flaps formed on said primary sheet of flat stock adjacent said base portion and projecting from said front and back covers, respectively, pocket securing projections formed on said primary sheet of flat stock and extending in directions perpendicular to said front and back pocket cover flaps, whereby said front and back cover pocket flaps are foldable in a first direction relative to said spine into facing relationship relative to said front and back covers, respectively, and said pocket securing projections are foldable in a second direction relative to said spine and perpendicular to said first direction and are permanently fastened into contact with adjacent areas of said primary sheet of flat stock to hold said front and back cover pocket flaps in facing relationship relative to said front and back covers, respectively.

2. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 1 wherein said front and back covers each have a lower cover end fold parallel to said top edge, and said front and back cover pocket flaps are delineated from said base portion by said lower cover end folds, and said front and back cover pocket flaps both have straight, linear

5 opposing inside and outside boundaries that are parallel to said spine fold and mouth edges spaced from said lower cover end folds, and said pocket securing projections are exterior flap fastening tabs formed on said outer cover side edges of said base portion, and said exterior flap fastening tabs are folded back over said outside boundaries of said front and back cover pocket flaps and said exterior flap fastening tabs are permanently fastened to said inside front and back cover pocket flaps.

3. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 2 wherein said exterior flap fastening tabs are heat welded to said front and back cover pocket flaps throughout the lengths of said outside boundaries thereof.

4. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 2 further comprising interior flap fastening tabs formed from said primary sheet at both of said inside boundaries of said front and back cover pocket flaps, and further comprising a stiff, flat, pocket divider panel for each of said front and back covers, and said pocket
5 divider panels both have mutually parallel inside and outside edges, and said interior flap fastening tabs are folded over said inside edges of said pocket divider panels and are permanently secured thereto.

5. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 4 wherein said interior flap fastening tabs are heat welded throughout their widths to said pocket divider panels.

6. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 4 wherein at least a first one of said pocket divider panels is formed with a top pocket closure flap with a

pocket closure tongue defined therein, and said top closure flap of said first one of said pocket divider panels folds down over said mouth edge of a first one of said cover pocket flaps, and said first one of said cover pocket flaps is formed with a tongue engaging slit, and said tongue of said top closure flap of said first one of said divider panels is releaseably engageable with said tongue engaging slit.

7. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 6 wherein a second one of said pocket divider panels is provided with a finger tab that projects toward said spine beyond said inside boundary of a second one of said front and back cover pocket flaps.

8. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 4 wherein said outside edges of said pocket divider panels are unattached but captured between said covers and said pocket flaps.

9. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 1 wherein said front and back covers each have a lower end delineated by a bottom boundary fold parallel to said top edge of said base portion and said front and back cover pocket flaps project from said base portion at said outer cover side edges thereof, and each of said cover pocket flaps has a bottom edge, and an opposing upper mouth edge, and a cover delineation edge extending therebetween and parallel to said spine, and said pocket securing projections are bottom cover tabs delineated from said lower end of said front and back covers at said bottom boundary folds and folded up over said bottom edges of said front and back cover pocket flaps and permanently fastened thereto adjacent said

bottom edges thereof.

10. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 9 wherein said bottom cover tabs are heat welded to said front and back cover pocket flaps adjacent said bottom edges thereof.

11. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 10 wherein said front and back cover pocket flaps each have a divider delineation side edge remote from and parallel to said cover delineation edge thereof, and further comprising a stiff, flat, pocket divider panel for each of said front and back covers, and said divider panels are attached to said front and back cover pocket flaps at said divider delineation side edges thereof, and said pocket divider panels are folded in between and captured by said front and back cover panels and said pocket flaps.

12. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 11 wherein said divider panels each have a free edge and said free edges of said divider panels are located proximate to said outer cover side edges.

13. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 12 wherein at least a first one of said pocket divider panels is formed with a top pocket closure flap having a pocket closure tongue defined therein, and said top pocket closure flap folds down over said mouth edge of a first one of said cover pocket flaps, and said first one of said pocket cover flaps is formed with a tongue engaging slit, and said tongue of said top closure flap of said first one of said divider panels is releaseably engageable with said tongue engaging slit.

14. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 13 wherein a second one of said pocket divider panels is provided with a finger tab that projects toward said spine fold beyond said divider delineation side edge of a second one of said front and back cover pocket flaps.

15. A multipocket document folder comprising a primary sheet of stiff, flexible flat stock having a rectangular base portion longitudinally bifurcated by a spine to delineate front and back covers from each other, each cover having a transverse top upper edge oriented perpendicular to said spine and each cover having a lower cover end fold parallel to said top upper edge thereof, and further comprising separate
5 longitudinally projecting front and back pocket flaps extending respectively from said front and back covers and delineated therefrom by said lower cover end folds, and each of said front and back covers has a longitudinally extending exterior flap fastening tab and said exterior flap fastening tabs are formed from said sheet of flat stock at locations
10 adjacent said front and back covers remote from said spine, and said front and back pocket cover flaps are folded up into facing relationship with said front and back covers, respectively, and said exterior flap fastening tabs are folded back against said cover pocket flaps and are permanently secured thereto remote from said spine.

16. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 15 further characterized in that each of said pocket flaps has an inside demarcation fold and an outside edge, and further comprising interior flap fastening tabs formed on both of said inside demarcation folds of said front and back cover pocket flaps, and a stiff, flat,

5 pocket divider panel for each of said front and back covers, and said pocket divider panels both have mutually parallel inside and outside edges, and said interior flap fastening tabs are folded at said inside demarcation folds over said inside edges of said pocket divider panels and are permanently secured thereto.

17. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 16 wherein said exterior flap fastening tabs are heat welded throughout their widths to said front and back cover pocket flaps, and wherein said interior flap fastening tabs are heat welded throughout their widths to said pocket divider panels, and said outside edges of said pocket divider panels are unattached but captured between said covers and said pocket flaps.

18. A multipocket document folder comprising a single sheet of stiff, flexible flat stock formed with a rectangular base portion having opposing, mutually parallel outer cover side boundaries, a top edge perpendicular to said outer cover side boundaries, a spine formed in said base section perpendicular to and intersecting said top edge and extending longitudinally between said outer cover side boundaries and parallel thereto to delineate front and back covers from each other within said base portion, wherein said front and back covers each have a bottom boundary parallel to said top edge of said base portion, and further comprising front and back cover pocket flaps extending from said outer cover side boundaries parallel to said top edge of said base portion, from said front and back cover side boundaries, respectively, and each of said front and back cover pocket flaps has a bottom edge, a cover demarcation side

boundary, an opposite side boundary, and a pocket mouth edge, and further comprising bottom flap fastening tabs cut from said sheet of flat stock to extend from said bottom boundaries of said front and back covers in a direction opposite said top edge, and said front and back cover pocket flaps are folded at said cover demarcation side boundaries into facing relationship with said front and back covers, respectively, and said bottom flap fastening tabs are folded from said bottom boundaries back toward said covers and over said bottom edges of said front and back cover pocket flaps at said front and back cover bottom boundaries and are permanently secured to said front and back cover pocket flaps, whereby said front and back cover pocket flaps form pockets on said front and back covers, respectively, open at least at said pocket mouth edges.

19. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 18 wherein said front and back cover pocket flaps each have a divider delineation side boundary remote from and parallel to said cover demarcation side boundary thereof, and further comprising a stiff, flat, pocket divider panel for each of said front and back covers, and said divider panels are attached to said front and back cover pocket flaps at said divider delineation side boundaries thereof, and said pocket divider panels are folded in between and captured by said front and back covers and said pocket flaps.

20. A multipocket document folder according to Claim 18 wherein each of said divider panels has a free edge and said free edges of said divider panels are located proximate to said outer cover demarcation side boundaries, and wherein at least one of said pocket divider panels is formed with a top pocket closure flap having a pocket

5 closure tongue defined therein, and folds down over said mouth edge of a first one of
said cover pocket flaps, and said at least one of said pocket cover flaps is formed with a
tongue engaging slit, and said tongue of said top closure flap of said first one of said
divider panels is releaseably engageable with said tongue engaging slit, and a second of
said pocket divider panels is provided with a finger tab that projects toward said spine
10 beyond said opposite side boundary of a second one of said front and back cover pocket
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pocket flaps.